

DIRECT DEPOSIT SIGN-UP FORM (AUSTRALIA)

APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT OF UNITED STATES SOCIAL SECURITY MONTHLY BENEFITS BY DIRECT DEPOSIT

Please make any necessary changes in Section 1A and complete Sections 2 and 3.

Ask your bank for help with Section 3 if you have questions.

SECTION 1 (If the address below is incorrect, or if it is your bank's address, please complete Section 1A.)	SECTION 1A (If the address in Section 1 is not your correct address, please print your correct mailing address below.)
Social Security Claim Number Person Entitled to Payment	ADDRESS CHANGE

SECTION 2

PAYEE CERTIFICATION I certify that I have read and understand the back of this form. In signing this form, I authorize the Social Security Administration to send my payment to my bank and deposit it in the designated account. I understand that personal information in these payments will be treated confidentially, but I consent to disclosure of payment information that is compelled by law or necessary to protect against fraud or crime.		JOINT ACCOUNT HOLDER'S CERTIFICATION I certify that I have read and understand the back of this form, including the SPECIAL NOTICE TO JOINT ACCOUNT HOLDERS.	
SIGNATURE	DATE	SIGNATURE	DATE
YOUR DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER		This account is: My own account. A joint account.	

SECTION 3 (Ask your bank for help if you have questions.)

This account must be in **Australian** Dollars.

NAME OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION								
ADDRESS OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION								
FINANCIAL INSTITUTION PHONE NUMBER								
BSB NUMBER				—				
ACCOUNT NUMBER								

MAIL THE COMPLETED FORM TO:

U.S.Consulate General
Federal Benefits Unit
Level 59, MLC Centre
19-29 Martin Place
Sydney NSW 2000
AUSTRALIA

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

The information you give on this form is confidential. We need the information to send your U.S. Social Security payments electronically to your Australian dollar account at a financial institution in Australia.

IF YOUR ADDRESS CHANGES

If your address changes, you must inform the U.S. Social Security Administration because letters about your payments will still be mailed to your home address. If we cannot locate you, your payments may be stopped.

WHEN YOU WILL RECEIVE YOUR DIRECT DEPOSIT PAYMENTS

Your payment will be sent electronically to your Australian dollar account at your financial institution and will usually be in your account on the U.S. payment date. You can avoid waiting up to 15 working days for your check to clear. With direct deposit you will have immediate access to your money.

INFORMATION ABOUT CURRENCY CONVERSION

You will not need to pay a conversion fee to get your payment in Australian dollars. Your U.S. Social Security payment is automatically converted to Australian dollars at the best available exchange rate at no cost to you a few days before it is deposited into your account.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO JOINT ACCOUNT HOLDERS

If you have a joint account with a person who receives Social Security payments, and that person dies, you must immediately contact your bank and the U.S. Social Security Administration. Any Social Security payments deposited into a joint account after the death of a beneficiary must be returned to Social Security. As soon as we are advised of the death, if you are eligible to receive Social Security, we will determine whether your benefit amount will change and will send you any money that we owe you.

CHANGING FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS OR ACCOUNTS

If you change your bank or your account, you must notify:

Federal Reserve Bank of New York E. Rutherford Operations Ctr. – 1 st Floor 100 Orchard Street East Rutherford, NJ 07073 USA	OR	Social Security Division Veterans Affairs Regional Office American Embassy 1131 Roxas Boulevard 0930 Manila PHILIPPINES
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You may need to fill out a new signup form.

Do not close your old account until payments have started coming to your new account.